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## VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Marianne Abely Supervisory Attorney Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 6112 Time-Extension Request

Dear Ms. Abely:

This is to confirm that John McCain 2008, Inc. (Joseph Schmuckler, Treasurer) is now in receipt of the Commission's "Reason to Believe" Notification. John McCain 2008 received the complete Notification on September 30, 2010 and understands that its response would normally be due on October 15, 2010.

I write to seek an extension of time in which to respond. John McCain 2008 suspended all campaign activity almost two years ago, meaning it is now wholly reliant on independent consultants. These independent consultants, however, are largely unavailable to John McCain 2008 during the month of October because they are preparing other clients' multiple reports due before the 2010 general election. Additional time is needed to prepare a substantive response to the allegations raised, particularly given the number of contributions listed. John McCain 2008 also requires additional time to clarify with the Office of General Counsel why significant numbers of contributions that were refunded, reattributed, and/or redesignated within 60 days of receipt are nonetheless listed as "excessive."

John McCain 2009 respectfully requests a 30-day extension so that its response will be due on or before Monday, November 15, 2010, the first weekday after the 30-day extension period concludes. This extension would allow John McCain 2008's entside consultants adequate time to thoroughly examine the Commission's request during the post-election period.

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This extension would also allow the Commission to focus its resources in the coming weeks on other, more time-sensitive Matters that pertain to the 2010 general election.

Thank you for your consideration. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Matthew T. Sanderson